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VEHICLE LIGHT BAR

## <u>RESPONSE E</u>

Submitted herewith is a Declaration of the inventors under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, that predates the primary prior art reference relied on in the rejection of the application claims made in the Office Action mailed on November 16, 2006. The Declaration removes the U.S. Patent of Dalton Jr. et al. No. 7,036,965 as a prior art reference. As a result, the rejection of claims 1, 3-9, 13, 15, 16, and 18-20 is overcome, and all of claims 1-20 pending in the application are in condition for allowance. A favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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